

The Intelligencer.

When Wendell Phillips lectured in Wheeling several years ago, he told the people that among the "Lost Arts" was the art of making elastic glass—that is, glass that would rebound without breaking when thrown on the floor. We always thought (until lately) that this was mainly one of imagination on the part of Wendell, inasmuch as it is not in the nature of a vitreous article, like glass, to rebound without breaking under violent concussion. We can, however, recent paragraphs in the *Intelligencer*, have shaken our incredulity a good deal.

"The experiment of making lamp chimneys by the La. Glass process was successfully tried at the National Glass Works yesterday. A nail was driven through an inch board, by hammering it with a chimney. The chimneys made at the National did but to excel those made in the East, being much clearer, and equally as strong.

"We shall make this paragraph, send a copy of it to Wendell Phillips and ask him how it is for high. It makes his little story seem tame. Those who hesitate about believing it can go down to Baltimore any day and see Editor Longley, of the *Independent*, driving nails with a glass chimney for a hammer. He builds all his board fences that way now, and the boards are all an inch thick.

POLITICAL ITEMS.—Our dispatches this morning record an attack on Blaine's personal record by the Democratic paper out at Indianapolis.

Four Democratic committee clerks at Washington have already been removed for cause. No investigation required.

Chief Justice Waite once declared that the Judges of the United States Supreme Court should be ineligible to the Presidency. Mr. Justice Davis, if he had been called upon, would evidently have read a dissenting opinion.

An honest Dutchman was heard to decline his position thus: "Vell, I don't know 'bout dem candidates, but vichef der Republican party puts up, I votes for 'otman—und 'ot Blaine."

"The Boston *Globe* thinks Mr. Blaine the busiest man in the country these days running single-handed the minority in the House, nagging the majority, looking after chores at home in Maine, watching his competitors in the Presidential race and chucking obstacles in their path. The Springfield *Republican* wonders 'if he hasn't got more than he can chew,' but the gentleman from Maine seldom makes a mistake of that kind, and always calculates his distance," as did the woodsman who amused himself by squirreling tobacco juice under an inch of the heel of Martin Chuzzlewit when he was lying ill at "Eden."

"Vell," said an honest Tennessean, throwing down the evening paper and heaving a long sigh, "dat beats all! Dere vos Becher, und Babcock, und Belknap, und now dey got Bendleton, too. Geef me dem glass lager, poy."

THIRD DISTRICT.—Walker made a stump speech at Mason Court House on the 3d, and Kenna followed the next day. Both announced themselves candidates for Congress. The Republicans of that county held a meeting on the 4th and appointed six delegates to Clarkburg. The Point Pleasant *Register* is a Walker paper. It does not smile upon Attorney General Mathews as a candidate for Governor.

The population of the Third Congressional District has increased 31,618 since the census was taken in 1870.

The new hotel at the White Sulphur Springs will be open May 15th. It took \$31,237 brick to complete the brick-work. It will be a grand affair, and will contain all the modern improvements—elevators, electric bells, fire alarms, water works, baths, gas, splendid ball rooms, &c.

The Republicans of Jackson held a meeting on the 3d, and appointed ten delegates for each district of the county to Clarkburg. A County Committee was also appointed, of which Col. F. R. Hassler is Chairman.

A new paper, called the *Herold*, has been started in Jackson, Democratic in politics. The arrival of one of the candidates for Congress in that county is announced as follows:

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the cholera; hope there will be an inflation of the butter currency when grass comes.

In Belmont county there are as yet no announcements for the various offices of would-be Sheriffs, County Clerks, &c., it is said to be very promising. There is a prospect of a lively time over the election of a Judge of Common Pleas, on account of Judge Chambers' rulings in the whisky cases. The Judge, although a Democrat, will have the support of a number of Republicans for re-election. Monroe and Belmont choose a Judge together.

The cost of the Baltimore Water Works complete was \$115,630.92. One item in the cost is a "deficiency" of \$1,001.92.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Baltimore Street Railway will take place on the 11th of May.

BRIDGEPORT FINANCES.—The following is the report of the receipts and expenditures of our municipal neighbor for the year ending March 31, 1876:

RECEIPTS.
Balance March 31, 1875, \$1,273.08
Fines and licenses, 9.50
Proceeds of land 1, series, 1,000.00
June appropriation of taxes, 124.31
February apportionment of taxes, 462.45
Total, \$3,569.34

DISBURSEMENTS.
Transferred to road fund, \$300.00
Police and fire, 100.00
Electric expenses, 8.00
Attorney's fees, 70.00
Officers salary, 1,024.00
Engineer for grading streets, 60.00
Interest on bonds, 48.00
Printing and contingent, 27.00
Fence, 215.50
Bounded indebtedness, 1,008.55
Total, \$2,849.35

ROAD FUND—RECEIPTS.
From corporation fund, \$20.00
June appropriation of taxes, \$4.00
Total, \$24.00

DISBURSEMENTS.
Overdrawn, May 3, 1875, \$229.52
Lumber for bridges, 40.00
Street Commissioner, 40.00
Grading and contingents, 40.00
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Removal of man and back, 40.00
Culvert, stone work, 172.00
Culvert and paving, 29.00
Painting and repairing bridge, 29.00
Total, \$600.54

CEMETERY FUND—RECEIPTS.
Balance March 31, 1875, \$61.00
Sale of lots, 40.00
Total, \$101.00

DISBURSEMENTS.
Corporation fund, \$2,480.54
Road fund, 64.18
Cemetery, 101.00
Total, \$2,645.72

RECAPITULATION—RECEIPTS.
Corporation fund, \$2,500.00
Road fund, 64.18
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THE POLITICAL COMPLEXION OF BELLAIRE BY WARREN.—The following detail of the vote cast down at Bellaire on the 3d shows the complexion of the different wards:

1st Ward—Morgan, Rep., 97; Cash, Dem., 46.
2d Ward—Pumphrey, Rep., 88; Shepherd, Dem., 190; Archer, Rep., 79; Moran, Dem., 179.
3d Ward—Nelson, Rep., 130; Braden, Dem., 128.
4th Ward—Sanders, Rep., 171; Wallace, Dem., 125; Boyd, Rep., 182; Wilson, Dem., 99.

5th Ward—Blackburn, Rep., (1 year) 129; Litter, Dem., (1 year) 37; Miller, Rep., (2 years) 124; Crouse, Dem., (2 years) 41.
With the exception of Marshall, the Republicans made a clean sweep, the average majority being about 170.

(PULITNEY TOWNSHIP.)
Following is a summary of the vote cast at the various ward polls and at the township polls, for township officers:

Trustees—Kryser, Rep., 751; Day, Dem., 743; Powell, Rep., 755; Maser, Dem., 697; Danford, Rep., 713; Butte, Dem., 658; Treasurer—Satterfield, Rep., 609; Kelly, Dem., 832.
Clerk—Tallman, Rep., 741; Wilson, Dem., 690.
Assessor—Garrett, Rep., 775; Cronse, Dem., 650.
Constables—Roeder, Rep., 793; Druggan, Dem., 674; Venning, Rep., 659; McCormack, Dem., 485.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.
CENTENNIAL SPECIMENS.—A lot of specimens of iron ore, ochre, building stone, &c., were yesterday received at the Centennial rooms.

RAILROAD FREIGHTS.—Railroad freights from Pittsburgh to Wheeling have been reduced to a lower point than before. The reduction takes effect from this date.

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By Telegraph.

ASSOCIATED PRESS REPORT.

TO THE DAILY INTELLIGENCER.

CONGRESS.

HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, April 11.—Mr. Herford from the Committee on Commerce reported adversely the bill for the appointment of a committee to inquire as to the terms of which a commercial treaty can be made with Canada.

A minority report was made by Mr. Ward, of New York, and on his motion the bill was made a special order for the 12th of May.

Mr. Kerr from the same committee reported a bill to authorize the construction of a bridge across the Missouri river at or near Sioux City, Iowa. After explanation of the bill passed.

Mr. Dannel from the same committee, reported a bill to grant American register to the Canadian steam ferry boat Geneva. He explained that the boat was a pleasure boat built at Kingston, Canada, for Americans, but that all of her machinery was made in New York.

Opposition was made to the bill by Messrs. Cox, Kelly and Townsend of Pennsylvania, the latter representing that this was the commencement of a movement to transfer American ship building to foreign countries. After further discussion the bill passed.

Mr. Dannel also reported a bill to extend to the port of Lacrosse, Wis., the privileges of the Revised Statutes in reference to the immediate transportation of goods in bond to an interior port without payment of duty at the original port of entry. Passed.

Mr. Wells, of Missouri, from the Appropriations Committee, reported the deficiency bill, and said he would try and get action on it to-morrow. The bill appropriates \$522,480.

The House then proceeded to the consideration, as the special order, of the bill reported by Mr. Reagan concerning commerce and navigation and the regulation of steam vessels.

The Senate bill appropriating \$25,000 for improvements of the Capitol grounds was amended by a reduction of the amount to \$20,000 and passed.

Mr. Randall moved that the House concur in the Senate amendment to the bill to supply the deficiency in the Printing Bureau of the Treasury.

Mr. Herford from the Committee on Commerce reported a bill to authorize the citizens of Melville, Pa., to change the channel of the Ohio river. Passed.

The bill was amended in various respects and passed.

The silver bill pending action, the House took a recess till 7 1/2 p. m.

The evening session is for the consideration of the legislative appropriation bill.

THE BECHER CASE.
NEW YORK, April 11.—The New York Times will publish to-morrow a call for the evidence regarding the Becher scandal, issued by the committee appointed by the New York and Brooklyn association of Congressional ministers, Messrs. Hobart, Stone and Virgin. They most earnestly invite and urge any parties believed to have or making profession to have evidence or any knowledge of evidence in connection with the Becher case to present themselves before the committee. The committee say that they make this call in the name of an association, which, notwithstanding it deeply regretted the withdrawal on a side issue of the Becher case, still remains by far the largest association of Congressional ministers in the State.

FOUND MURDERED.
MEMPHIS, April 11.—The *Lodge* says that on last Saturday between Paines and Courtland, on the Mississippi and Tennessee Railroad a man named Wash Howard was found murdered near a bridge. Howard was on his way to Texas to his relatives and being without money he had taken the journey for foot. A worthless man named Frank Taylor was arrested on suspicion of being the murderer. He admitted having killed the old man with a club because he refused to give him a chew of tobacco.

FEARS DISSIPLED.
Fears of serious damage by the flood are being dissipated, though the plans below still working like beavers to keep the levees intact.

OMAHA ITEMS.
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OHIO LEGISLATURE.
COLUMBUS, April 11.—In the Senate, bills were passed to regulate the sale of cotton scrap metal, and to provide for the sale of lands for non-payment of taxes by proceedings in the courts.

The bill to place banks and corporations on the same footing as individuals in regard to the seizure of property was postponed till next day.

In the House bill was passed to establish a bureau of labor statistics.

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colored people of the South were especially interested in cheap books. As great efforts were being made to educate them, and if the old law should be restored they could get school books from the publishers at a cheap price. He believed that newspapers should have every facility. He believed in a free press, and thought it would be a bad day for this country when Congress should muzzle the press by any legislation, directly or indirectly.

THE CAPITOL APPROPRIATION.
Pending the discussion, Mr. Morrill (of Vermont) called up the bill making an appropriation to continue the work of improving the Capitol grounds, and an amendment of the House reducing the amount to \$20,000 was agreed to, and the bill passed.

After executive session, adjourned.
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Weather Report.
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER, WASHINGTON, D.C., April 12—A. M.

For Tennessee and Ohio, light, stationary pressure and temperature; west winds and partly cloudy weather.

For Upper Mississippi and Lower Missouri Valleys, north winds, with rising barometer, partly cloudy and clearing weather.

For Upper Lakes, falling barometer, rising temperature, opposing north and south winds with cloudy weather and light rain.

For Lower Lakes and Middle States, stationary or falling barometer, with east winds, increasing cloudiness and possibly light rain.

The Missouri and Ohio rivers will continue above the danger line from Memphis to Vicksburg and fall somewhat at Cairo.

Railroad Stockholders' Meeting.
PITTSBURGH, April 11.—At the annual meeting of stockholders of the Allegheny Valley Railroad Company held in this city today, the following Board of Managers were elected for the ensuing year: John Scott, Pittsburgh; Thomas A. Scott, Philadelphia; George R. Roberts, Philadelphia; William M. Lyon, Pittsburgh; D. A. Stewart, Pittsburgh; S. M. Fulton, Philadelphia; B. F. Jones, Pittsburgh; Henry M. Phillips, Philadelphia; A. J. Cassatt, Philadelphia. The total earnings for 1875 were \$2,399,638.48; total expenses, \$1,414,996.35; net earnings, \$984,642.13—an increase of \$65,954.30 over 1874.

Woman's Missionary Society.
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THE IOWA POOL.
The Alton & St. Louis Railroad, which has hitherto been opposing the Iowa pool in the competition for Iowa and San Francisco freight, has lengthened the pool, and will adopt their schedule.

The Whisky Investigation.
WASHINGTON, April 11.—W. O. Avery was before the Committee on Whisky Trials in St. Louis, today. It was reported that he would make startling revelations, but he says he merely gave a full statement of all the knowledge in his possession in regard to the trials and circumstances which led to his own trial and conviction. Avery will return to St. Louis to-morrow.

The deficiency bill reported to-day appropriates \$1,165,000 for the pay of the army.

Cincinnati Railroad Bonds.
CINCINNATI, April 11.—The Trustees of the Cincinnati Southern Railroad awarded three millions of the 6 per cent gold bonds to Epp, Heidelberg & Co., of this city, to-day, at a premium of 13-100 of 1 per cent and accrued interest. The bonds run thirty years.

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